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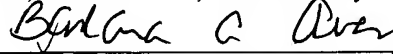
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appln. No.:	10/656,027	
Filing Date:	September 4, 2003	Examiner: Desai, Hemant
Title:	Apparatus and Method for Sealing a Bag	Group Art Unit: 3721

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

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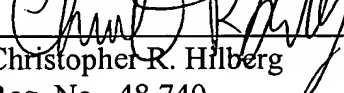
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of 2 month(s) from March 22, 2005 to May 23, 2005 within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated December 22, 2004. A check in the amount of \$225.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

Respectfully submitted,

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